## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) WITHOUT FILING FEE AND/OR WITHOUT EXECUTED INVENTOR'S DECLARATION

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This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING NONVOLATILE SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY WITH NARROW VARIATION IN THRESHOLD VOLTAGES OF MEMORY CELLS without a filing fee and/or without an executed inventor's oath/declaration. This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers: Newly executed Declaration, ☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ☒ Abstract pages of specification and claims (including 4 numbered claims), and 26\* 10 sheets of accompanying drawing/s. Record the attached assignment and return to the undersigned. Attached is a Power of Attorney. Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications: **Application Number** Country Day/Month/Year Filed 2000-361152 Japan 28/11/2000 , respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.. Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached. Certified copy(ies) filed on in prior application no. filed Please amend the specification by inserting the following paragraph before the first line: --This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. , filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application .--Please amend the specification by inserting the following paragraph before the first line: --This application is a continuation/ division/ continuation-in-part of Application No. , filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application .--1174 140 177 Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency. The prior application is assigned to It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the above parent application(s) by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached, but pursuant to Rule 98(d) copies are not required. Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached. Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee: Also attached: Information Disclosure Statement; I Non-Publication Request; I Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; 

Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application; 

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